



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 6971**

LCO No. 1983



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

REP. LINEHAN, 103rd Dist.

REP. ELLIOTT, 88th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING VACCINATION EDUCATION FOR PARENTS  
AND GUARDIANS OF CHILDREN SEEKING AN EXEMPTION FROM  
IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR RELIGIOUS REASONS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 10-204a of the general statutes be amended to require
- 2 any parent or guardian who presents a statement that the
- 3 immunizations under said section would be contrary to the religious
- 4 beliefs of such parent or guardian or his or her child to have attended a
- 5 science-based educational session regarding the efficacy and safety of
- 6 vaccines prior to such child being exempted

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require a science-based educational session regarding the efficacy and safety of vaccines for those seeking an exemption from immunization requirements for religious reasons.